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11 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
12 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, WESTERN DIVISION
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14 MONIQUE LAWLER, DARYL
LAWLER,

15 Plaintiffs,

16 v.
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18 ALLSTATE INSURANCE
COMPANY, JOHN ALSOP
INSURANCE AGENCY, ERIC
19 ALSOP, DOES 1 through 100,

20 Defendants.
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Case No. 2:24-cv-01442-AB-SK

Hon. Andre Birotte, Jr.
Courtroom 7B

**DECLARATION OF LEANNE
MCWILLIAMS IN SUPPORT OF
DEFENDANTS' OPPOSITION TO
PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO
REMAND**

Date: April 19, 2024
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Dept.: 7B

Complaint Filed: January 26, 2024

1 I, Leanne N. McWilliams, declare as follows:

2 1. I am an Assistant Secretary of Allstate Insurance Company
3 (“Allstate”). If called and sworn as a witness, I could and would competently testify
4 to all facts within my personal knowledge.

5 2. In my role as Assistant Secretary, I am familiar with the business
6 operations of Allstate, its parent company, and its subsidiaries. Specifically, I am
7 familiar with where Allstate’s executive functions are performed, the location of its
8 home office, and Allstate’s standing and authority to conduct business in different
9 states.

10 3. Allstate is incorporated in Illinois. Allstate’s headquarters are in
11 Illinois. Employees can at times work telecommute and work remotely in different
12 locations. But Allstate’s executive and administrative functions are still based out
13 of Illinois. Allstate’s chief executive officer and certain other senior managers have
14 their home base out of Illinois as well. A majority of Allstate’s senior leadership
15 team have a residence in Illinois. None have a residence in California. The board of
16 directors for The Allstate Corporation, Allstate’s parent company, generally meets
17 in Illinois. All in person Board and joint meetings are in Illinois. All committee
18 meetings are virtual but still based out of Illinois. Allstate has closed most regional
19 offices to centralize its operations out of Illinois. Thus, all major company decisions
20 are referred to Allstate’s headquarters in Illinois.

21 4. Allstate is licensed to conduct business in the State of California. It
22 currently holds a Certificate of Authority to transact insurance in the State. A true
23 and correct copy of Allstate’s Certificate of Authority with the State of California is
24 attached as **Exhibit A**.

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1 5. Allstate's parent company, The Allstate Corporation, holds a
2 Certificate of Good Standing with the State of Illinois, where both Allstate and its
3 parent company's headquarters and executive offices are located. A true and correct
4 copy of The Allstate Corporation's Certificate of Good Standing is attached as
5 **Exhibit B.**

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7 Executed on 03/29/2024, at Northbrook, Illinois.

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